

June 2020

JUNE BMC CLUB MEETING CANCELLED

Club Chair



Greetings! As we enter our third month of isolation, the social situation is largely unchanged, though states in the region are cautiously beginning to open up. Delaware will eliminate most travel restrictions and allow gatherings of autocross size beginning 01 June, which is unfortunately just a little too late for our 30 May event date. Maryland has not yet rolled back their policies – but even if they had, we are better safe than sorry.

Consequently, BMC cancelled our 30 May Autocross in favor of our July date. Liz will have the details in her column. In order to stay safe, we are also canceling our June club meeting, though we hope to hold our next meeting on the first Tuesday in July, restrictions permitting.

As always, feel free to contact our program chairs via the Club's Facebook group or the email addresses published in this newsletter and at <u>www.brandywinemotorsportclub.org</u>.

We look forward to salvaging our 2020 season to the greatest, safest extent possible as things return to the new normal. We hope to see everybody when we can.

-Duke "Wear The Mask" Wilford BMC Club Chair



Autocross

I sent the official cancellation notice for Autox I on 05/30. Despite the easing of some quarantine restrictions before that date, both Delaware and Maryland's large gathering guidelines remain in place prohibiting events with more than 10 people.

There have been some points of discussion that motorsports are generally low-contact and therefore lowrisk for spreading the virus. At this time, we are not prepared to run an autocross that is sufficiently

contactless and socially distanced enough to put my mind at ease regarding the safety of our attendees, especially our key volunteers under the tent.

We currently still have secured the following dates with Ripken:

- Autox I July 18
- Autox II August 29
- Autox III October 10

I have also floated the following 4-event reschedule to the stadium staff and am waiting on a response:

- Autox I July 18
- Autox II August 15
- Autox III September 12
- Autox IV October 10

We are already seeing an increase in virus case rates in states that have reopened, which tells me that the risk has not gone away. My hope is that waiting until July to start the season will ride this new wave out and give me time to further evaluate our options for minimizing contact and making these events safer for all involved.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Liz Wilford, Autocross Chair



Mike's Notes

All,

Don't worry, everyone missed the May meeting. As this pandemic continues and with automotive club events at a halt, I hope everyone is doing what they can to enjoy some time on the road and keep the gas fresh in their vehicles.

Hope everyone is happy, healthy and taking one day at a time.

Mike Trzonkowski, BMC Secretary

Club Property

Very little to report regarding property status. As result of the current recommendations regarding activities, I have not been to the club trailer or storage shed. However, I do plan on giving them a bit of attention prior to our first event.

Dave Mitchell, Property Chair

Simeone Museum App

Can't visit the Simeone Museum due to the pandemic? The Simeone Museum mobile app includes 86 stops on the tour, each accompanied by a photo of the car or venue, brief text description, and a audio portion narrated by Dr. Simeone. And it's free!

https://www.simeonemuseum.org/education/downloadour-phone-app/

Rally

Sadly, nothing happening on the Rally front. Hanna Alderman, Rally Chair

Membership

We will be active again soon! Join BMC or Renew your membership at: <u>http://msreg.com/BMCMembership2020</u>

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Brandywine Motorsport Club Autocross I Saturday, July 18, 2020 Ripken Stadium 873 Long Dr, Aberdeen, MD 21001

Come Autocross in a Friendly, Competitive Environment!

Setup: 8:30 AM Registration: 9:00 AM to 10:00 AM First Car Off: 10:30 AM

There is a 90 Car Entry Limit - Preregistration is strongly encouraged! Preregister online at: <u>www.motorsportreg.com</u> Preregistration closes Wednesday before the event at 6:00p. Walkups on the event day will incur a \$5 late registration fee.

Autocross Preregistration Fees: Entry – BMC 2020 Member - \$50 Entry – Non-BMC member - \$55 (*includes 1-day BMC membership*)

Trophies awarded by class!

In addition to typical autocross classes, we offer a CLASSIC STREET CAR class for mostly-stock street cars 1978 and older. Let's give those older cars the exercise they deserve!

• NO OPEN EXHAUST – Effective muffler required. We reserve the right to disqualify a car from competition if it is judged to be too loud.

- Approved helmet (M or SA 2010 or newer) and seatbelts are required. Loaner helmets will be available.
- Drivers must be at least 18 years old and have a valid driver's license.
- All contestants, workers, and guests must sign a release and waiver of liability.
- Parent / guardian signatures required for workers and guests under 18.
- Vehicles must pass safety and technical inspection.
- No loose or unsecured items in any area. Remove floor mats from cabin.
- All cars are welcome to compete except SUVs and other vehicles that present a rollover risk.

• Common Solo rules and classifications will generally be followed. We reserve the right to modify/ interpret these rules to suit the spirit of the competition and to promote safety. Please take time to research what class your car will be in prior to registration.

If you have any questions, please contact the event administrator: Liz Wilford @ BMCautox@gmail.com or 302-353-7254